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November 12, 2003

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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    Re: Application of Shigeo FUJITA, Toshihiko YAMAZAKI, Hiroshi ITO, and
           Shinichi KAMOSHIDA
           IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
           Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION
           Our Ref. Q78418

Dear Sir:

    Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising forty-two (42) sheets
of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and fifteen (15) sheets of drawings.
**The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney,
and Assignment will be filed at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	21	- 20	=	1	x	$18.00	=	$18.00
Independent claims	7	- 3	=	4	x	$86.00	=	$344.00
Base Fee							$770.00

TOTAL FEE   **$1132.00**

Priority is claimed from:

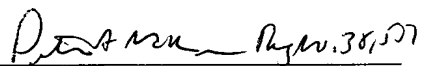| Country	Application No	Filing Date
Japan	2002-326522	November 11, 2002
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The priority documents will be filed at a later date. **Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on November 11, 2003, a holiday, the filing of this application on November 12, 2003 is sufficient to obtain the benefit of all priorities.**

Respectfully submitted,
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